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HIGH SCHOOL PLAYERS DOING WELL IN AMATEUR LEAGUES

Several Scholastic Stars Are Well in Front Among Amateurs—Doings in Local Circuits.

Almost every one of the men who did noteworthy work in the high school series just past is at present playing in the amateur leagues and is showing just as good if not better form than he did as a player in the schools.

It was thought by many that the amateur leagues were much faster than the high school teams, but such has not proved to be the case, as those high school players who did good work in the scholastic series are doing as well if not better in the leagues in which they are now playing, and in almost every case is hitting with a much better average.

From Eastern, Ligon, pitcher, and Varello, shortstop, are the players who did work in the Sunday School League. Boteler of Central is playing good ball in the Bankers' League. Hunterman, Dodge and Hurley of Business are going at a fast clip in the two leagues, one with the St. Martin's team, one with Manhattan and the other with Ingram, Garland, Flynn, Hardie, Colie, Lynch, Morris and Bekendorf of Tech are all playing stellar parts in the various leagues in the city. The players who are performing, Meyers, Holden and Howard of Western are each playing good ball in the amateur circuits. Meyers is playing in the Sunday School League, with Hamline, Howard in the Olympia is doing creditable work, while Holden has won both the games he has pitched, one in the Independence and one in the Bankers' League.

That the high school boys are playing such good ball in the amateur circuit speaks well for the article which was put out in the scholastic series. With one or two exceptions there is no doubt that the high school teams were just as good or better than the average club playing in the amateur leagues. There are about two leagues which would be able to put it over the scholastic clubs, and when those were excepted the school boys would be able to give any of them a run for the victory.

Flynn, who did very little work for Tech this spring because of sickness, is now playing in the Sunday School League for the Andrews club and pitched a three-hit game.

A mistake was made yesterday in these columns when it was stated that Cunniff had pitched a three-hit game, but after out and sending the runners back to the bag in the ninth inning of the game between St. Martin's and the Andrews club, by calling an infield out that should have been scored a hit. The fact regarding this case was that Newman was not in his position when the ball was pitched and although the hit was made, he called it out. Newman was not in his position when the ball was pitched and although the hit was made, he called it out.

The Cornell College has won a fair lead for itself in the Capital City League this week. The defeat sustained by the Andrews club yesterday, however, has put the Cornell team in a position to win the pennant. The team has won both the games it has pitched, one in the Independence and one in the Bankers' League.

There hardly seems to be any doubt but that the Walford club in the Commercial League will win the pennant. The team has won both the games it has pitched, one in the Independence and one in the Bankers' League.

Such games as that which was played yesterday in the Independence League should never be allowed. It is the true test of a player's ability to win a game, and it is the true test of a player's ability to win a game, and it is the true test of a player's ability to win a game.

There is apt to be quite a struggle when the Hamline and Ninth teams meet tomorrow afternoon. The latter club is leading the league, and the Hamline aggregation is running close on its heels.

Hamline has been strengthened considerably since it last met the Christians, and it should be able to put up a very strenuous argument against the league leader.

The Hamline and Ninth Street teams last year had it out for the championship of the Sunday School League, and it was not until the very last games that the pennant was decided, and it begins to look as though the same thing will be after the rag this year in about the same close fashion.

Other Amateur Games.

The Arrow A. C. is still in its winning stride, and yesterday beat the Mary's team by the one-sided score of 17 to 2.

Score by innings: R. H. E.
Arrow A. C. 3 5 2 1 1 4 0 0—17 15 0
St. Mary's A. C. 0 0 0 0 0 0 2 7—3 5 3

Batteries—For Arrow, Brodie and Elchhorn. St. Mary's, Dorsey and Elchhorn. Two-base hits—Holloran, Gallagher, McLary, Sheridan. Three-base hits—Scanlon, Elchhorn, Garvey, Streck. Home runs—Garvey. Struck-outs—By Brodie, 17; by Dorsey, 7.

JUNIOR LEAGUE STANDING.

Arrow A. C. 3 5 2 1 1 4 0 0—17 15 0
St. Mary's A. C. 0 0 0 0 0 0 2 7—3 5 3

TODAY'S GAME.

La Grand A. C. vs. Keystones, at North Capitol street and New York avenue.

The Circle Stars won from the hitherto undefeated Fillmore team yesterday in an easy fashion, 16 to 3. The feature of the game was the batting of Mahoney for the winners, he getting a two and three bagger and a home run. Score by innings: R. H. E.
Fillmore..... 0 0 1 2 0 0 0—3 5 3
Circle Stars..... 0 1 2 1 1 3 5—16 18 2

Batteries—Fillmore, Roberts and Callaway—McDonald; Circle Stars, Cook, Lansdale, Lyden and Mahoney. Two-base hits—Mahoney, Cook, Lyden and Lansdale. Three-base hits—Mahoney and Spillman. Home run—Mahoney. Struck-outs—By Roberts, 5; by Cook, 9; by Lansdale, 4; by Lyden, 1.

The fielding of Danny Dore for the Highlanders and the base running of Horning for the Junior Victors were the features of the game yesterday, in which the latter aggregation won from the former, 10 to 7. Score by innings: R. H. E.
Victors, Jr. 3 2 0 0 2 1 0 2—10 6 2
Highlanders. 0 2 0 1 1 0 0 0—7 6 3

Batteries—Victors, Jr., Stowers and Dickman; Highlanders, Willingham and Stevenson; Sluggers, Mentzel, Culligan and Cafritz. Umpire—Moses Martin.

The Whitewind Sluggers defeated the Bellamy team in a hard-fought battle by the score of 8 to 7. In the seventh inning had a batting rally, making seven runs, but in the ninth the Sluggers made four runs, winning the game. The score: R. H. E.
Sluggers..... 0 0 2 0 0 0 2 4—8 12 1
Bellamy..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 7 0—7 3 3

Batteries—Bellamy, Willingham and Stevenson; Sluggers, Mentzel, Culligan and Cafritz. Umpire—Moses Martin.

CAPITAL CITY LEAGUE.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

W. L. Pct. W. L. Pct.
Cornell..... 12 2 85.71..... 3 1 75.00
Sew. Pump..... 11 6 64.6..... 3 13 18.8
Marines..... 1 1 500..... 3 13 18.8

TODAY'S GAME.

Sewage Pumping Station vs. Eastern, at 12:30 p.m.

The Marines proved to be a hard proposition for the Cornell Tigers to beat yesterday afternoon in the Capital City League. Although the leaders finally won by the score of 5 to 3, it wasn't until the eighth inning that they scored a run.

Joe Engle, the college pitcher, was on the mound for the winners, and twirled a mighty good game. His delivery was touched up for eight batters, and he worked a better game than his rival, according to the number of hits.

Hurley, who has been doing some brilliant pitching down in Cuba all this spring, did the hurrying for Uncle Sam's fighting boys, and it must be said he worked a better game than his rival, according to the number of hits.

Hurley's curves and shovels were so good only four of Cornell's eleven men in yesterday's line-up could connect safely, and these lucky boys were G. McDonald, a double and a single; Sam Edmonston, a single; G. McDonald, a one-base walk, and Al. The game was a close one, and the six men free transportation to first base, which helped greatly to lose the game.

Crain, who is doing the catching for the losers, was away off yesterday when it came to throwing to the bases. Seven bases were stolen on him.

Billie Barnhart, the shortstop, who is setting things afloat in the Departmental League this season, made his initial appearance with Cornell yesterday. Billie made a put-out, and failed to hit safely.

Lodge, "Dutch" Kinney and Clark have been released by Manager Cornell. R. Page, Leverton and Barnhart will take their places.

C. and L. Interbureau League.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

W. L. Pct. W. L. Pct.
Standards..... 3 0 100..... 3 0 100
Corporation..... 2 0 100..... 2 0 100

TODAY'S GAME.

Corporation vs. Immigration.

In a rather one-sided battle Standards defeated Naturalization, thereby insuring their position at first place. Sherry pitched grand ball for Standards, allowing Naturalization three lone bingles.

Standards took the offerings of Miner greedily, and secured fourteen hits, including a home run by James and a triple by Barrow. These coupled with erratic fielding on the part of Naturalization netted Standards fourteen tallies, while Naturalization was unable to get a single run across the plate.

The Standards had no trouble scoring once they got on, as stolen bases came cheap, seven being the total of pilfered sacks obtained by this team.

Today's game between Corporation and Immigration will bring one or the other of the teams from the tie for last position.

THIS DAY IN BASE BALL.

JUNE 23.

1884.—Richard J. Egan, second baseman of the Cincinnati Reds, born in Portland, Ore.

1889.—After having lost twenty-six games in a row (a record for a major league club) the Louisville team of the American Association vanquished St. Louis, 7 to 3, from Ramsey pitching against Elton Chamberlain and Nat Hudson.

1890.—Mike Griffin of the Philadelphia Players' League club did not have to make any hits in the game with Pittsburgh in order to reach first base. He got to the getaway bases four times, twice on fumbles by Tommy Corcoran, once on a fumble by "Yank" Robinson and once on a fumble by Billy Kuehn.

1890.—Hugh Duffy, now manager of the Chicago American League team, and then a private under Charles Comiskey in the Windy City, scored five of the thirteen runs garnered by the Chicago Players' League club in its game with Brooklyn.

1895.—An attempt was made by the police to stop the game in Chicago between the Chicago and Cleveland National League teams, this date falling on Sunday. The Ancestors were arrested in the third inning, ball was given for them and the game proceeded.

1907.—In the Cincinnati-Pittsburgh game the Reds made nine hits off Howard Cannitz, each of the nine players procuring one safety.

1907.—"Jiggs" Donohue of the Chicago White Sox gave a remarkable exhibition of untimely hitting in the game with Cleveland. He came up five times when men were on the bases and failed to advance any one, leaving eleven of his colleagues stranded.

Cleveland won this game, which lasted twelve innings, by a score of 7 to 5, Ed Walsh, who pitched for the White Sox, having eleven assists.

Heels, and five of them received "comps" to first.

J. Langford pitched a steady game for North Carolina. But five hits could be gleaned from his delivery by the Baptists, and six of them failed to hit at all. His five passes were not disastrous.

Langford put up a nice game at third base for North Carolina, accepting four chances in the field and smashing out two safeties.

Lugo-Vina and Seabright each secured two hits off Phillips out of four times up.

Keth, in right field for North Carolina, got the longest hit of the game, a triple, but Martin of Anacostia was his heel with a double, these two being the only extra-basers of the game.

Martin and Parrell, the two first basemen, handled twenty-three chances without a slip-up.

Yesterday was another big day for the base swipers, eleven being hooked during the shaking up of the line-up. This move proved fatal in more than one instance.

Orison, the Interstate infielder, found his batting lamps yesterday and potted out three hits, until yesterday's game had been batting in the worst kind of luck. He seldom had trouble in landing on the sphere, but somehow or other could not get it to safe ground for Shalin.

Vanderlip, the Interior outfielder, tightened up on his batting average string by putting three out of reach of the fielders, one of them being good for three sacks.

Balzer, who served them across for Interstate, pitched a steady game and deserved lots of the credit for the win. He was also given first-class support by his teammates.

COMMERCIAL LEAGUE.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

W. L. Pct. W. L. Pct.
Walford..... 11 3 78.6..... 6 7 46.1
Willard..... 11 3 78.6..... 6 7 46.1
Andrews..... 10 4 71.4..... 11 3 78.6

TODAY'S GAME.

Moses vs. Willard.

The Walford club in the Commercial League had an easy time getting away yesterday by the score of 6 to 1. The Sporting Goods men got away with a five-run lead in the first three innings and after that were never in danger of losing.

Martin was taken out after the first three innings had been played and a substitute pitcher sent in who did good work during the remainder of the contest. Martin was saved for the Sewage Pumping Station game in the Capital City League.

The Telephone aggregation got but three hits off the two men who did the twirling for the Walford Club.

The Walford players did not meet the ball any too consistently, only being able to connect for four safeties.

Manager Gassaway deserves a lot of credit for having gotten together the bunch of all hitters he has and at present undoubtedly has the best team in the league.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LEAGUE.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

W. L. Pct. W. L. Pct.
Ninth..... 10 1 90.9..... 5 4 55.5
Hamline..... 9 5 64.3..... 5 4 55.5
Ingram..... 5 3 62.5..... 11 2 87.7

GAME TODAY.

North Carolina thumped Anacostia soundly yesterday, taking the large end of a 16-to-1 score and effectively bottling the Ancestors up in the cellar position.

The game was a full nine-inning affair, requiring only 1 hour and 27 minutes to play, remarkable time when the fact that seventeen runs were scored is taken into consideration.

Phillips, pitching for Anacostia, gave a peculiar exhibition. He fanned thirteen men, but eleven safeties fell to the Tar

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PERTINENT COMMENT
Happenings in Sportdom

BY J. ED. GRILLO.

Before a young player coming into fast company can lay claim to being a good hitter he should at least make one round of the circuit and get a chance against various pitchers. His start may have all the earmarks of his being a clever performer with the stick, but often this is the result of the pitcher's ignorance of the batter's weakness. But once the pitcher learns that there is a certain ball on which the batter is weak, the batter must overcome this weakness or he is through so far as shining as a hitter is concerned.

There has been a lamentable falling off in the stick work of Clarence Walker during the four games the Nationals played in Philadelphia. It may be that this is but a temporary slump, but the opinion seems to prevail that these wise leaguers have found the spot where Walker does not hit and are dishing him up just this kind of a delivery. Pitchers help each other in this respect. Let one of them discover a weakness in the batter and the news spreads like wildfire. When pitchers on opposing teams meet they discuss the various batters, and if there is a new one in the ranks he is weak, the result was to find out what he can and what he cannot hit, and the pitcher works accordingly.

Cunningham furnished an illustration of this. If ever a youngster looked like a natural hitter it was Cunniff last fall. No pitchers fooled him, and he was a natural in the series with the Athletics. But while it took some time, the pitchers eventually found where Cunniff was weak, and the result was that his batting fell to nothing. His benching followed six consecutive strikeouts.

It would, of course, not be fair to Walker to pronounce him a weak man with the bat because he failed to keep the ball in the series with the Athletics, but there is no doubt that he is facing a better judged class of pitching now than he did when he first joined the team, and it remains to be seen if he can master this superior pitching.

Incidentally, it is no easy matter for a young player breaking into the big league with a team like ours to show to good advantage. Experience breaks wrong and he is affected by the environment of a losing aggregation. Then, too, it is easier for the pitcher of years of experience to bamble a youngster just breaking in than it is for the newcomer to learn the peculiar traits of the pitcher. But if the recruit has the ability he will overcome whatever weakness he may have in due time.

AFTER A WHITE HOPE.

Bob Vernon Going to Ireland for a Man to Beat Johnson.

NEW YORK, June 23.—Bob Vernon, boxer friend of Jim Jeffries, has hit the war trail for Jack Johnson's scalp. Vernon will sail for Ireland July 1 in the hope of securing a "white hope" to wrest the crown from the present champion. Vernon has received some enthusiastic reports of a Hibernian giant, twenty-four years of age, six feet three inches in height and 245 pounds' weight, who is now in Dublin. If he can be induced to come, Vernon will return with him to America and match him against the best heavyweights with a view to a match with Johnson.

Pitcher Eddie Stack of the Phillies is mourning the loss of a diamond-studded watch worth \$200, which a New York "dip" got from him.

When a ball team wins twenty-four out of twenty-seven, it must not only display great strength, but it is having the

breaks of luck which always go with a winner. On form there does not appear to be the slightest chance to keep the Athletics out of first place much longer, and once there they will never be overtaken. There is, of course, always a chance for a team which has had such a long run of luck falling into a slump. The Athletics may encounter a streak of bad luck which would give them a setback, but that is about the only thing that can prevent them from landing the flag again this year, and that in a common canter. Mack's team has the strength and nothing but a combination of ill-luck and accidents can keep it out of the lead. But every team has its off period. The Athletics started poorly and for this reason may not encounter any slumps this season, in which event it is going to be a cakewalk to the wire from now on.

If reports from New York are true, the Nationals are dropping in on Hal Chase's team when it is far from at its best, and consequently there may be hope. Harry Wolter, the right fielder, is down at Rockaway as a result of a heat stroke. Russell Ford is under a physician's care as a heart patient, while Otis Johnson is out of it with a lame arm. Incidentally, Earl Gardner and Charley Hemphill are expected to be in the game solely on the basis of their names.

The pitcher who when danger threatens always goes up in the air lacks something which unites him for fast company. The successful pitcher of the major leagues are those who arise to occasions. The pitcher who when he finds himself in a pinch, has something in reserve for such occasions, is the one who gets out of it with a lame arm. Incidentally, Earl Gardner and Charley Hemphill are expected to be in the game solely on the basis of their names.

This is the real difference between a successful pitcher and a losing pitcher. So far as curves and speed are concerned, there is hardly a difference between any of the twirlers, but the successful pitcher is the individual who can think, and, with the natural advantage which the pitcher has over the batter, outgenerals him.

SUBURBAN LEAGUE.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

W. L. Pct. W. L. Pct.
Park View..... 9 3 75.0..... 8 8 48.8
Petworth..... 9 3 75.0..... 8 8 48.8
Silver Spring 8 5 61.5..... 10 10 50.0

TODAY'S GAME.

Takoma vs. Brightwood, at 5:30 o'clock, at New Hampshire avenue and Uppur street northwest.

Petworth is but a game and one-half ahead of Manager "Cy" Cummins' Silver Spring boys, as a result of their victory over Brookland yesterday afternoon. Score, Silver Spring 6, and Brookland 4.

Moore was on the slab for the winners and he twirled a very good game, allowing but six hits, fanning six and walking but one.

Mullen made a pretty double play in the first inning, catching Hiatt's liner and doubling up Lord at his bag.

If Sidney Lodge keeps up the stick work he has been showing in the last few games he will soon be leading the league. Yesterday he made three out of five trips to the pan, two of them being clean, while the other was of the scratch variety. He was hitting at .238 clip when the last averages were given out.

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